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## ELOQUENT PRAYERS.

We have been reading of late the biography of a noted divine, and do not know when we have so much enjoyed a book. None of us are perfect, however, and we have been greatly impressed with the one great mistake in the life-work of this best rounded character of the day in which he lived and labored.

The appendix to this book contains a number of prayers, uttered on public occasions, inaugural days, memorial meetings, dedicating ceremonies, and they are clothed in choicest words and well deserve to be called "eloquent." When they were delivered, we remember that newspaper writers so characterized them, and now that the good man is gone they are published as "choicest extracts" from his pen. Just here is our criticism. We do not admire pen-point prayers or head-efforts. Nor do we mean to charge in these instances that the heart was not in the prayers. By no means. Our objection to them is found in the fact that they were always spoken of as "eloquent."

There is no record of any such prayer in the Bible. At their request the Saviour taught his disciples the "simplest form of prayer." Is there better definition of prayer than this? "Prayer is the simplest form of speech which infant tongues can try." Solomon prayed for a great many things at the dedication of the temple, but no one ever accused him of being eloquent in that solemn moment in his life-history and that of his people. Read over the prayers recorded in the Word of God, (their name is legion) and one is impressed with their simplicity and their directness.

A servant, sent out to select a wife for his young master, asks God to send the proper maiden to the well and then with him to his master. Nothing in the prayer about the charms of young womanhood or of love-making. Only a fit and proper wife. That and nothing more just then. Another begs for a sick son, another for a sick servant, and still another for a sick daughter, one burdened-soul cries for mercy, a blind man for sight, a lame man for healing, a leper for cleansing, storm-tossed mariners cry out, "save, Lord, or we perish." Not one word of the beauty of the sea when calm, or of its glory when stirred by the King of the winds, what they wanted was safety, and safety then.

What did the hart pant for when hunted, heated, thirsty? Water, and for that it ran. As one of the most eloquent divines said recently, the shady nooks had no charms for the panting deer just then, nor green meadows, nor graceful hill tops, nor refreshing shade-spots. It panted for cooling spring, or tumbling brook, or sleeping lake, and to one or the other it ran.

So with prayer. It must be a soul-want or can not be prayer. A beggar asking alms eloquently would hardly get them. Descending on the glory of sunrise, or the glow of setting sun would ill become one begging for bread. Our God is the God of the beautiful. He loves a cheerful giver and a rejoicing Christian, but an answer in the Bible is only promised to the plea of the penitent, the cry of the humble, the prayer of the fervent.

## THE ALMIGHTY DOLLAR.

"The dollar, or its eager pursuit, weighs down the wings of genius and prevents its flight to the lofty heights where congregate the Homers and Shakespeares, Miltons and Byrons, the Michael Angelos and the Raphaels and their peers. Our time does not produce their equals."

"We have now no Tennysons, nor Longfellow, nor Hawthornes, nor Emersons. Perhaps it is because our Michael Angelos are planning tunnels under rivers and through mountains for the connection of vast systems of railways, and our Raphaels are devising some novel method for the utilization of electrical power; our Shakespeares are forming gigantic combinations of corporate bodies, our Tennysons are giving rein to fancy and imagination in wild speculations in stocks, and our Hawthornes and Emersons have abandoned the communings with soul which lift their readers to a vision of the higher life and the joy of its inspiration, to exploit mines and factories."

Hon. Chauncey Depew is the author of the above, a millionaire himself and the pet of multi-millionaires. Yet he sees clearly and speaks the truth. He might have added that the mad rush for the dollar is destroying home life, depreciating the character of citizen, chilling neighborly regard, dwarfing body and destroying soul. And the age says you must be rich.

Edison, the wizard, tells us that he has discovered, or is ready to propose rather, a building material which will drive stone and brick and wood out of use. And he further says it will be so cheap that anybody can hope to have a roof-tree. We indulge the fond ambition now of living in a brown stone front on Farmville's Fifth Avenue.

The Government is borrowing money

at less than two per cent., or rather the party lending to the Government gets less than two per cent. Suppose a farmer could borrow at that rate? What a change it would mark in this old world of ours. But the farmer pays from six to forty.

## TELL THE FACTS.

Of course there is no danger that this country will become an empire or that President McKinley will be an emperor. The men who urge those statements are taking the poorest task possible to defeat the plans of the "imperialists." The imperialists are mainly speculators, promoters and syndicate workers who wish to treat the Filipinos as the Western people treat the Indians—rob them. They don't care for the political or Constitutional issues involved. They simply wish the rewards of the subjugation and pursuit of the human quarry. Consequently any exaggeration will be seized on for ridicule and defense.

The right way to attack the foreign policy of this administration is to tell the truth about it. That's bad enough. That's the argument against it. That shows this country in the attitude of Great Britain toward Venezuela when stopped by Cleveland, and of France toward Mexico when stopped by Lincoln.—Newport News Herald.

Mrs. Hetty Green says to her younger sisters, "save, save, save," and then what? Follow Mrs. Hetty we presume, and be mean, niggardly stingy, a tax-dodger and miser.

We would rather follow the advice of the immortal who said, "costly thy garb as thy purse can bear."

## WOODMAN SPARE THAT TREE.

"The largest share of the Russian forests belongs entirely to the State, and the system of forestry is so elaborate that even private owners are not allowed to cut down their trees except under Government inspection."

How different in free America. We slash and slay them as though they were enemies and not friends. Even in our country and our sister countries the saw, and ax, and scraper are cutting and destroying as furiously as though man was clearing for bread-making.

And who plants trees?

The North American, of Philadelphia, says: "The machine has courage. It is not ashamed to stand forth without disguise as a plain buccaner."

Not so in Virginia. With us it strikes in the dark, and always below the belt. There is nothing manly about its methods, nothing courageous. But the people in Virginia are aroused and will drive the machine out of the state. It looks that way any how and no man realizes it more fully than does Mr. Swanson.

North Carolina is to be represented at the Charleston Exposition, the Board of Agriculture having appropriated \$9,000 for that purpose. North Carolina believes in advertising. Virginia seems to think that she does not need to be advertised, but live merchants do not agree with her.—Richmond Times.

"The new shirt and collar combine is getting mighty close to the people." Richmond News.

Closer than the shirt of our daddies.

The Richmond News said recently: "The people can be trusted to elect the Democratic nominee, whoever he may be," and yet in the same breath, adds: "one of these four men" (Swanson, Montague, Echols, Marshall), "should be nominated by the Norfolk convention." Why confine the selection to four? The people can be trusted to look the state over and select the best man?

J. P. Morgan has been received at Windsor by England's King and now there is talk of his buying the establishment.

Mr. Rockefeller has given \$200,000 to be devoted to purposes of medical research. There is a good one for some portion of a rich man's money. Medicine is still in part experimental and the sooner it gets to be an exact science the better for suffering mankind.

Chicago has been a kind of "omnium gatherum" ever since the close of the World's Fair, and now they have there a self-announced Elijah. His name is Dowie and he claims to take the place of all doctors. Dowie or Doctor? That's the question.

An Indiana court has decided that it is all right to open a jackpot with counterfeit money. Monstrous!

A couple married in Cincinnati recently and agreed in advance the one with the other "not to resist divorce proceedings." Just simply left the gaps down.

Ex-Governor O'Ferrall says he is a Democrat from head to heel, but that he doesn't promise to vote for the ratification of the work of a Democratic convention. Getting ready to "kick." It wasn't "ever thus," especially when he was candidate for Democratic honors.

## NOW FOR THE CONVENTION.

Virginia knows who is to represent her in the Constitutional Convention, and the honored representatives know in turn, we trust, Virginia's needs, and knowing will dare meet them with just and full remedies. Fewer elections. Fewer courts. Virginia always No one can object to F. F. V.

It would be wise on the part of Messrs. Montague and Swanson to agree to quit. The party has greatly honored them, and they ought not to be willing to hurt it. Their brilliantcy should not be wasted in family brawls, nor their strength expended in family blows.

The Governor of South Carolina got stirred up under the sting of Tillman's criticism and challenged to another chance to accept that resignation. The opportunity has not been given him. South Carolina is a gallant state but

given to romance or rashness. Strange, however, that a state which gave to the world a Hampton should have given a Tillman also.

A preacher recently resigned from the pulpit and went to the practice of the law giving as his reason for the change that he was not permitted without being insulted to preach a "modest amount of truth." The mistake he made was "in not preaching the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth." Modesty is becoming to all men and women too, but when either begins to deal with the truth boldness and modesty is the better bearing.

## "WUS AND WUS."

The Virginia campaign grows in intensity and well nigh infancy. If the scenes as recorded from Newport News have been faithfully recorded then indeed have we fallen on evil times. If such things are done in the green tree what may be expected from the dry?

The Herald renews its suggestions to the young belligerents, quit, quit quick.

The postmaster at Salem, this State, has inaugurated the rural free delivery in his vicinity. Here is a hint to postmaster Bliss.

The several states have been filing claims against the general government for sums spent in equipping troops for the war with Spain. Virginia makes the modest demand of \$1,161.87, and that hasn't been paid. New York put in a bill for nearly a million and has been allowed something less than \$400,000. A modest man is generally ignored.

All the volunteers have been withdrawn from the Philippines. No, not all, for legions of them are buried there, and not one lost who was not worth more to the country than all those islands combined.

The great Democratic party of Virginia cannot afford to be governed by freaks or controlled by spasms. What's best as a rule of government in one place in the old Dominion should be best in another. A universal primary will secure this in making state nominations. We detest a boss, but we need a leader.

Regardless of party and of creed the people of the great country have been sorrowing with Mr. McKinley as he has been sorrowing at the bedside of a sick wife. His love for her and loyalty to her outshine all other virtues he may possess and have awakened the profound and unstinted admiration of his fellow countrymen. We join in the universal and earnest wish that she may long be spared to brighten and bless the life of a model husband.

We are glad to note that our exchanges, many of them at least, are repeating the viva voce suggestion of the Herald. Let's be men in all things, and surely no manly man fears to vote in the open.

We hope Gen. Lee will promptly ask his friends not to mention his name again in connection with the Governorship. He has done well and been well rewarded. Let him enjoy his "retirement" and rest.

Mr. McKinley has formerly declined a third term. Graceful, Mr. President, but entirely gratuitous.

Gen. Fitz Lee will make Richmond his home, and help fight the machine. He is a good fighter, too.

Fewer courts and fewer elections. All are agreed as to these.

Keep an eye on Hanna. He is said to be heading this way.

Remember Pennsylvania and crush the Boss in Virginia.

Evidently Gen. Joe Wheeler forgets that he has been "retired." He bobs up on all occasions, whether secular or spiritual, with the agility of a supple jack.

The vast majority of Confederate Generals were and are modest men.

Little Bo Peep, who lost her sheep Will never lose them more Because they find she buys her goods At Criddle Bros. store.

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## THE CONVENTION.

Virginia's sixth Constitutional Convention met in the Hall of the House of Delegates, in the city of Richmond, at 12 m., on the 12th inst.

All delegates with the exception of three answered to the roll call, the session was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. McIlwaine, and Hon. John Goode was made permanent chairman.

The body is a representative one and let us hope they know their duty and will faithfully and fearlessly do it.

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